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COMMUNISTS REORGANIZE ADMINISTRATIVE AREAS

NORTHEAST ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 13 May 49

On 21 April 1949, the Chinese Communist Party announced the reorganization of the Northeast Administrative District into six provinces, and four special municipalities, as follows:

Liaotung Province (5 municipalities, 29 hsien)

Municipalities - An-tung (location of provincial government), Ying-k'ou, T'ung-hua, Liac-yang and Hsi-an.

Hsien -- Chuang-ho, Hsin-chi, Ku-hsien, Kai-p'ing, Hsin-t'ien, Liao-yang, Kai-ch'eng, Hsiu-yen, Ku-shan, K'uan-tien, Fu-shun, An-tung, Feng-ch'eng, Hsuan-jen, Pen-ch'i, Hsi-an, Kai-lung, Tung-feng, Hsi-feng, Ch'ing-yuan, Hsin-pin (formerly Hsing-ching), Tung-hua, Chi-an, Lin-chiang, Ch'ang-pai, Fu-sung, Ching-yu, (formerly Meng-chiang and Chiu-ch'uan), Hui-nan, and Liu-ho.

Liaosi Province (4 municipalities, 21 hsien)

Municipalities -- Chin-chou (location of provincial government) Sau-p'ing, Fou-hsin and Shan-hai-kuan.

Hsien -- Chin, Chin-hsi, Sui-chung, Hsing-ch'eng, P'an-shan, T'ai-an, Liao-chung, I, Hsin-min, Chang-wu, Fou-hsin, Pei-chen, Hsi-shan, Ch'ang-t'u, Shu, Fa-k'u, K'ang-p'ing, Shuang-chen (formerly Shuang-shan and Liao-yuan), K'ai-yuan, T'ieh-ling, and Ch'ang-pei (new hsien, formed from a portion of Ch'ang-t'u Hsien).

Kirin Province (2 municipalities, 22 hsien, 1 banner)

Municipalities -- Chi lin (Kirin, location of provincial government) and Ch'ang-ch'un.

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Hsiens -- Yang-chi, Yu-jin, Chiu-t'ai, Te-hui, Shu-lao, P'an-shih, Chiao-ho, Shuang-yang, I-t'ung, Hua-tien, Sun-ho, Lung-an, Ch'ien-an, Fu-yu, Hwai-te, Ch'ang-ling, Yen-chi, Ho-lung, Wang-ch'ing, Sun-ch'un An-t'u, and Ch'ang-ch'un.

Banner -- Kuo-ch'ien-ch'i

Heilungkiang Province (1 municipality, 40 hsiens, 2 banners)

Municipality -- Ch'i-ch'i-ha-erh (location of provincial government).

Hsiens -- Chao-tung, Chao-chou, Na-ho, Lung-chiang, T'ao-an, An-ta, Ta-lai, Chen-lai, (New hsiens, formed from Chen-tung Hsien and northern part of Ta-lai), T'ai-lai, Sui-hua, Hsi-lun, Wang-k'uei, Pai-ch'uan, T'ai-an, K'o-shan, Ch'ing-ch'ang, Lan-hsi, Ch'ing-an, K'o-tung, Ming-shui, T'ao-nan, Lin-tien, Fu-yu (includes I-k'o-ming-an Banner), Nen-chiang, Kan-nan, Ching-hsing, Chan-yu, K'ai-t'ing, An-kuang, Pei-an, T'ung-pei, Sui-leng, Te-tu, T'ieh-li, Sun-wu, Yuan-hun, Hu-ma, Sun-k'o (formed from Sun-ho and Ch'i-k'o), Wu-yun, and Fo-shan.

Banners -- Ching-erh-pe-t'e and Kuo-hou.

Sungkiang Province (4 municipalities, 32 hsiens)

Municipalities -- Ha-erh-p'in (location of provincial government), Mu-tan-chiang, Chi-mu-asu, Hsing-shan.

Hsiens -- Shuang-ch'eng, A-ch'eng, Hu-lan, Wu-ch'ang, Pa-yen, Pin, Shang-chih (formerly Chi-ho Hsien), Yen-shou, Chao-jui, Hsi-lin, Ning-an, Fang-cheng, La-lin, T'ung-ho, Tung-ning, Ma-leng, P'o-li, Hua-ch'uan, I-lan, Fu-chin, Sui-pin, T'ang-yuan, Pao-ch'ing, Lin-k'ou, Jao-ho, Hu-lin, Mi-shan, Chi-hsien, Chi-ning, Hua-nan, Fu-yuan and Lo-pei.

Jehol Province (2 municipalities, 19 hsiens, 4 banners)

Municipalities -- Ch'eng-te (location of provincial government) and Ch'ih-feng.

Hsiens -- Ch'eng-te, Ch'ih-feng, Ling-yuan, P'ing-ch'uan, Chien-ch'ang, Chien-p'ing, Ning-ch'ang, Wei-ch'ang, Wu-tan, Ch'ing-lung, Yeh-po-shou, Lung-hua, Feng-ning, Luan-p'ing, Hsing-lung, Ch'ing-p'ing (new hsiens, formed from portions of Ch'ing-lung and P'ing-ch'uan), Pei-p'iao, Chao-yang, and Yang-shan (new hsiens formed from southern Chao-yang and central Yang-shan).

Banners -- K'o-la-ch'iu-yu, Ao-han, Weng-niu-t'e, and Ko-la-ch'in-tso.

Four Special Municipalities [directly controlled by Central Administration]

Shen-yang (Mukden), Fu-shun, An-shan, and Pen-ch'i.

NORTHWEST LIBERATED AREA ESTABLISHED -- Wen-hui Pao, 24 May 49

Established in February 1949, the Northwest Liberated Area roughly includes the western half of Shensi, all of northern Shensi, part of central Shensi, and sections of Kansu and Ningxia provinces. At the end of March 1949, the area included 114 hsiens and municipalities, a total area of 206,460 square kilometers, total population of more than 7,640,000, and approximately 58 million mou [one acre equals approximately 6 mou] of arable land.

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The Northwest Liberated Area is divided into three administrative districts and their subdistricts as follows:

Shensi-Kansu-Ningsia Administrative District

Consists of nine subdistricts and 60 hsien, is approximately 120,000 square kilometers in area, and has a population of 12,783,000.

1. Yu-lin Subdistrict -- five hsien: Yu-lin, (new hsien, formerly Chen-ch'uan), Han-shan, Shen-mu, Fu-ku, and Shen-fu (formed from sections of Shen-mu and Fu-ku).
2. Sui-te Subdistrict -- six hsien: Sui-te, Mi-chih, Chia, Tsu-chou (new hsien located west of Sui-te), Ch'ing-chien, and Wu-p'u.
3. Yen-an Subdistrict -- seven hsien: Yen-an, An-sai, Chih-tan, (formerly Pao-an), Tsu-ch'ang (formerly An-ting), Yen-ch'uan, Yen-ch'ang, and Kan-ch'uan.
4. San-pien Subdistrict -- five hsien: Ting-pien, Ching-pien, An-pien, Yen-ch'ih, and Wu-ch'i (new hsien located west of Chih-tan).
5. Lung-tung Subdistrict -- six hsien: Ch'ing-yang, Ho-shui, Hua-ch'ih (new hsien located north of Ho-shui), Ch'u-tzu, Huan, and Chen-yuan (new hsien located west of Ho-shui).
6. Kuan-chung Subdistrict -- ten hsien: Hsin-cheng (new hsien located northeast of Hsun-i), Hsin-ning, (new hsien west of Ma-lan), Yao, Shun-hua, San-yuan, T'ung-ch'uan (formerly Tz'u-kuan), Fu-p'ing, Kao-ling, Ching-yang, and Ma-lan.
7. Huang-lang Subdistrict -- six hsien: K'uang, Lo-ch'uan, I-ch'uan, I-chun, Huang-ling, and Huang-lung.
8. T'ai-li Subdistrict -- eight hsien: T'ai-li, Han-ch'eng, T'ai-yang, Ch'eng-ch'eng, Pai-shui, Chao-i, P'ing-min, and P'u-ch'eng.
9. Pin Hsien Subdistrict -- seven [sic] hsien: Hsun-i, Pin, Ch'ang-wu, Yung-shou, Kan, and Lin-yu.

Northwest Shansi Administrative District

Composed of four subdistricts and 23 hsien; has an area of 45,700 square kilometers, and a population of more than 2,139,800. It consists in part of the Shansi portion of the former Shansi-Suiyuan Border Region.

1. Wu-chai Subdistrict -- six hsien: Ho-ch'u, Pao-te, Wu-chai, Shen-ch'ih, P'ien-kuan, and Ch'i-lan.
2. Li-shih Subdistrict -- four hsien: Lun, Li-shih, Chung-yang, and Fang-shan.
3. Northern Yen-men-kuan Subdistrict -- seven hsien: Shuo, Shan-yin, Hui-jen, P'ing-lu, Tso-yun, Yu-yu, and Ta-t'ung.
4. Southern Yen-men-kuan Subdistrict -- four hsien: Ning-wu, Tai, Ching-lo, and K'uo.
5. Special Hsien (controlled directly by the Administrative Office): Hsing and Lau.

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South Shansi Administrative District

Controls three subdistricts, 28 hsien and three special hsien and municipalities; has an area of 32,600 square kilometers and a population of more than 2,630,000. It was formed by a merger of Subdistricts 9 and 10 of the Former Shansi-Suiyuan Border Region and Subdistrict 2 of the T'ai-yo Administrative District.

1. Hsi-hsien Subdistrict -- eight hsien: Hsi, P'u, Yung-ho, Ta-ning, Shih-lou, Fen-hsi, Hung-tung, and Chao-ch'eng.
2. Hsien-chiang Subdistrict -- seven hsien: Hsin-chiang, Fen-ch'eng, Hsiang-ning, Chi-shan, Ho-chin, Chi, and Ch'u-wu.
3. Yun-ch'eng Subdistrict -- 13 hsien: Jui-ch'eng, Lin-chin, Wan-ch'uan, Wen-hsi, P'ing-ling, An-i, Hsia, Yung-yu (new hsien formed from section of Yung-chi and Yu-hsiang), Yung-lo (new hsien formed from sections of Yung-chi and Jui-ch'eng), I-shih, Chieh, Jung-ho, and Yun-ch'eng.
4. Two Special Hsien and One Municipality - Lin-fen, Hsiang-ling; and Lin-fen (municipality).

SHENSI-KANSU-NINGSIA ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES -- Hua Shang Pao, 22 May 49

The Shensi-Kansu-Ningsia Border Region Government has abolished the Northwest Shansi Administrative Office and set up the Ma-chai (in northwest Shansi) (Ueda: 135, 2393) Central Special Commissioner's Office, which will be under the direction of the South Shansi Administrative Office. The new office will be in control of Special Commissioner's Offices in Northern and Southern Yen-men-kuan (12957, 12709, 12790), Li-shih (13001, 7954), and of certain directly controlled hsien. Chao Ping-i (11479, 4836, 3098) has been appointed Commissioner.

NORTH CHINA NAVIGATION OFFICE SET UP -- Ta Kung Pao, 29 May 49

An Inland Navigation Office has been set up in T'ien-ching. Its duties are to register boats, maintain waterways, and supervise transport. It also manages the North China Water Transport Company and its 60 or 70 boats amounting to 100,000 tons. Eight transport offices will be set up along the waterways, of which four are already in operation at Lin-ch'ung, Ts'chou, Ts'ang-chou and Su-ch'iao.

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